

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

THE APPLICATION OF:

MICHAEL G. BRAMUCCI ET. AL.

CASE NO.: CL1709USNA APPLICATION NO.: 10/007527

CONFIRMATION NO.: 7153 GROUP ART UNIT: 1636

EXAMINER: KAUSHAL, SUMESH FILED: DECEMBER 05, 2001

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Introductory Comments

This is submitted in response to the Advisory action mailed 2/9/04 Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and submit the following in support thereof. Please amend the application as follows:

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